BARIUM MESSENGER

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Seniors of The '24 Class Barium Springs High School

Geneva Perry

Gertrude Caudill

Judith Bowman

Archie Moore

Gertrude McPhail

Ruby Kerr

Theodore Brock

Guy Jackson

Irene McDade

Louise Kelly

Martha Boyce

Madeline Hunt

Leah Hill

Who Said These Folks Were Hard Boiled?

The following letter couldn't have come at a more opportune time. Just a few days ago one of the very small boys had a very close call. He was watching a north bound car, while crossing the road and stepped right in front of a south bound. His injuries were very slight, but his escape from fatal injuries seems miraculous.

When these overpasses are in use, this growing danger will be abated and we can then use our energies in dodging the other 999 dangers that hourly beset us.

Hats off to the N. C. Highway Commission for their willingness to do this great work for our safety.

Raleigh, March, 21, 1924

[SUBJECT: UNDERGRADE CROSSING AT BARIUM SPRINGS ORPHANAGE, PROJECT NO. 639-IREDELL COUNTY.]

Mr. Johnston, Supt.,
Barium Springs Orphanage,
Barium Springs, N. C.
Dear Sirs;—

The State Highway Commission has for sometime been uneasy as to the likelihood of injury to some of the children at Barium Springs while crossing the highway.

We believe that it is desirable to build two overhead or undergrade walk ways across the highway within your campus. These walkways, however, will be ineffective unless there is a fence built on both sides of the road the entire length of your campus so the people will be forced to use the walkways as prepared.

We have estimated the cost of building two overhead walkways and an ornamental iron fence the entire distance of your campus to be about $7800.00. We realize that your institution is supported bv donations from the good people of the State,and we are, therefore, not asking that you contribute to this fence and the underpasses or overheads. We are, however, requesting you to allow the State Highway Commission the privilege of building these safety devices for the protection of the children of your orphanage.

Please let me hear if the layout, as indicated on the attached blue print, meets with your approval.

Yours very truely,
FRANK PAGE.
Chairman, State Highway Commission.

Alumni–Alumnae

This seems to be an unlucky year for some of our Alumnae two of our boys have gotten married and one of our girls, Harold Perry who left in 1918, Luther Bowman who was a member of the present Senior Class, and Ethel Walker who left us last summer, they have our hearty congratulations. "Billie" Beattie was up to pay us a visit last week, she wouldn't stay very long for fear "Aunt Minnie didn't have a cook", she is going to send us some chicken, I mean "A" Chicken, she says we have to cook it ourselves, we can do it all right.

We are sorry to hear of the death of little Madeline Penington, she was run over by a truck, she lived a week or two after the accident, her home was in Rochester, New York.

We hear that Mary Nolan, one of our last year graduates, is going out for base-ball at N. C. C. W. this year, we know Mary will make a fine player, don't disappoint us Honey.

Jessie Carrico, was here last Sunday for a few minutes, we hardly knew "Jess" she was so "fixed up", she says she's going to send us some records, so call again, we welcome you any old time.

We never hear anything about our boys now, we know they are studying hard so we look over their forgetfulness of us.

RUBY KERR.

Teacher—Who was that who laughed aloud?"

Pupil—"I did, sir; but I didn't mean to do it."

Teacher—"You didn't mean to do it?"

Pupil—"No, sir: I laughed in my sleeve, and I didn't know there was a hole in my elbow."

LOTTIE WALKER
First Floor

By Ruby Kerr

We are sure of the "Big Broom" this month, for when the inspectors came around they shook their heads and sighed and only said, "we know Saturday is a bad day to come." The reason we are sure of it is because we are keeping those Jennie Gilmer boys awayfrom here," they have caused us not to get it twice and we don't want that to happen again.

Our basket ball team is going to play Mitchell Friday, of course, they know they are going to be victorious; Geneva Perry went up to the College yesterday and she says "the longer I looked at those girls the bigger they got," she's not afraid one bit though.

We have had lots of visitors lately, but our most welcome visitor was Mr. Sanders from Charlotte, he gave us a wonderful victrola and sixty records. We all think so much of him and hope he pays us another visit in the near future.

A GOOD ADVICE

Dear Mr. Editor:

Just a word of advice won't you publish in your paper for me?

Every one thinks that just a little electrisity does not count; just to have a light on all night or when a part of the night when it is not necessary. Some places the people are so forgetful.

Very cordially yours,
Glennie Westall

Speaking of Accidents, how's this for an Original One

While unloading a car of dairy feed some time ago, the load on the wagon caught against the door of the box car. When the team started it pulled the car door shut, or almost shut. Ned MacKay's head was all that kept it from going entirley shut, and the way the boys tell it, the door bounced back so hard that it sprained one of the mules backs.

Ned's condition gave us a bad half hour, for we couldn't tell at first just whether that head had stood the test or not. Fortunately he came around in good shape, but there doesn't seem to be a rush of candidates to repeat this stunt.

If Mississ-ippi would lend Del—aware her New Jersey what ould Tenn—essee that Arkan—saw? Seattle, if not Alaska what.
John Blackmon

Religion and Conduct.

Thomas Carley declared that "A man's religion is the most important fact about him." Mathews Arnold, in his monumental effort to bring harmony into the field directs attention to its vast importance by his famous question "What is the object of religion? Conduct. And what is conduct? Three—fourths of life."

INFIRMARY

We received the rat traps the ten little boys from Raeford sent us and we appreciate them very much. We are making good use of them for we have caught about twenty rats.

We also appreciate the nice barrel of bottles and records sent by Circle No. 4, Lincolnton Church.

We have the records now so all we need is a victrola, Hope some one will take the hint and send us one as we have no musical instrument. The only music we have is a solo by miss Brown occasionaly, which all enjoy very much.

"Gee" we are begining to think we will have a vacation soon for we are about to get our house empty again

We had three little girls added to our big family in the last few weeks.

The "Big Broom" — Annie Louise This Time

Extracts from the report of the committee awarding the banner:

"We wish to especially commend the boys for the care of their buildings.

Considering that their work and play soils their clothes and makes it harder for them to keep their rooms clean, we think they are doing wonderfully well. We feel that the older boys are in fair way to win the banner very soon, if they keep on being careful.

"The commttee feels that the banner should go this time to the Annie Louise cottage. We take pleasure in conferring this honor on the children and the matron of this house for March. We were struck at once with the exceedingly neat and attractive appearance of the building, and on examining the rooms found the beds and the clothing, the bathroom and all the little details as carefully cared for as they could be in a private home. I hope every child in the home has learned to love to have things neat and clean and will never be contentsd to live with things in disorder; if so they will take pleasure in keeping Annie Louise as sweet and pretty as it looked to us in March."

Honor Roll For March,

The honor roll for March is a good healthy one, especially in the grades.

It is published in full by grades below.

It may be interesting to know how this talent is distributed over the campus.

Jennie Gilmer produced two, Lottie Walker First Floor four, Lottie Walker Second Floor five, Rumple Hall seven, Alexander five, Lees five, Annie Louise eleven, Synod six, and camp is homes, nine.

First Grade— Dorothy Thomas, Mary Cable, Wilson Lowrance, Elzabeth Wilson, Sadie Reed, Mary Belle Lee, Myrtle Johnston, Aubrey Clark Margaret Brooks.

Second Grade— Walter Archer, Hester Beck, Nanev Cable, John Mills Julia Stollenwerck, Mildred Thomas.

Third Grade— Mildred Morrow, Forrest Lee Hunt, Eula Lee Walton, Jimmie Johnston, Charlie Sears, Albert Cumbie, Tiny Ksrby, Grover Miles.

Fourth (A) Grade—Sam Bernardo.

Fifth Grade Abbie Roper, Edna McMillan, Edna Jackins, Harriettd Stollenwerck, Maggie Wilson, Elizabeth Cable, Annie Hare, Thelma Godwin, Charlie Moore, Ada King.

Sixth Grade—Mildred Miles, Sarah Coates, John Hunt, William Hudson.

Seventh Grade— Ruth Lowrance, Jack MacKay, Ruth McQuaige, Louis West, Druey Patterson, Daisy Belle Torrence.

Special Grade—Letha Copeland.

Eighth Grade — Cathleen Moore, Walter Beatie, Walter Fraley.

Ninth Grade—Robert Johnston.

Eleventh Grade—Geneva Perry, Irene McDade, Anne Fayssoux Johnston, Madeleine Hunt.

A clatter and clash
A sling of da hash
A smash of da dish
A twirl of da mustache.
A loop da loop
A slop da soup.
Wink at da ladies
No give her da hoops.
John Blackmon

Treasurer's Attention

The report of gifts and money received as published, covers all receipts to Mar. 29th. Quite a number of remittances from all sources, even including Thanksgiving offerings were reeived on Mar. 31st, April 1st, and April 2nd that will apply on the year closing Mar. 31st. These are not published this time for lack of space.

The May issue will include all these and we hope a goodly list to apply on the New Year.

Welcome, Rotarians - Kiwanians

On the night of April 18th the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs of Statesville will hold a joint meeting at Barium and to insure a real meeting they will bring their wives with them.

The Statesville band will also be our most welcome guests on that occasion too.

We know of no body of men we would rather have visit us than these two clubs. This institution at Barium Springs is a child of the church and is owned and supported by it almost exclusively, but it is the spirit and ideals of these splendid civic organizations that go a long way in making this great work possible.

For this reason and for many others we welcome you. If your appetite fails you, just watch our family eat, if your appettite is too healthy for our preparation, a whisper to Ned French and the molasses will be passed to you.

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The Beginning of the New Church Year.

Lets keep books together.

Of course, we know you are sending your money here primarily for the support of this great work and not for credit on our books or through the Messenger but we have been "on the other side of the fence" and know how it feels to make a sacrifice to give to a cause so near our hearts and then not receive the proper credit. We are very anxious that the Churches, Sunday School, Societies, and Auxilaries get the proper credit for all contributions, therefore, we are asking the TREASURERS to co-operate with us by always stating the name of the Church, Sunday Schools etc., Presbytery and his or her name and address. If you are sending it for any other purpose than general support fund please state clearly. Money sent for clothing and Thanksgiving is not credited on the quota Notice your receipt cards and watch the Messenger and if an error occurs notify us in order that correction may be made at once. If in the Messenger the name of the Presbytery follows the name of the church that means there is more than one church by that name in the Synod and the church in the Presbytery named has received credit. If money is received from anyone other than Church, Sunday School, Society, and Auxiliary Treasurers with the request that a certain church get credit the CHURCH treasuer will be notified in order that he may put it on his books, then on March 31, 1925 all our books will balance. EVERY CHURCH PLEASE SEND US YOUR QUOTA AS ACCEPTED, not all churches accept the quota as sent out by the Stewardship committee. Thanking you for your co operation in the past and looking forward to a better year. Yours for service.

BOOK KEEPER.

Boy—"Can a person be punished for som thing he has not done?"

Teacher—"Of course not."

Boy—"Well I haven't done any geometry yet."

The "Thank You" Department

"Dear Dr. Jacobs used to say that the sure way to get a second gift was to express real appreciation of the first. He practiced the psychological law of appreciation and reduced to a fine point of giving thanks and appreciation to every one who did a good turn for Thornwell Orphanage. Many a regular contributor to that institution was held through the years because of the matchless letters of appreciation Dr. Jacobs was able to write. Most of us may well despair of ever approaching him in the fine art in which he was so proficient. To this day and for many a year to come, constant reference is made and will be made to the unusual letters of thanks written by this good man after having received a shipment of merchandise or a gift in money for Thornwell Orphanage."

We all recognize the truth of the above extract from an editorial in the "Connie Maxwell" but it leaves us in a rather bad predicament. It is given to very few men to be able to write a letter like Dr. Jacobs, and we have very serious doubts if even Dr. Jacobs could write all the "thank you" letters in Thornwell now and still show the same originality as when the institution was smaller. And that brings us down to our subject.

We are criticized at times because we do not show the proper appreciation for contributions and gifts, and the argument is used about Dr. Jacobs and his wonderful letters of thanks.

Now we admit the fact that we do not get these kind of letters to our friends, but we do not admit that as representatives of this institution we are less appreciative. And as to the manner and means by which we show this appreciation we are ever ready to hear suggestions, that are really intended fo help, but we belive a thorough knowledge of the situation will help us all to understand what this Thank You business means. We have received many complaints because we use a printed card to acknowledge contributions from churches and other organizations also the same objection to using a printed letter of thanks, and there is something rather cold-blooded in thanking a person for a gift by the use of a printed form.

Now lets use a few figures, during the past year we received for support and building three thousand three hundred, eighty nine checks, and eight were reported sent that we did not receive. In the course of a year we received at least seven hundred boxes or gifts for the clothing department, something like 2000 books both new and old for the library, gifts in kind ranging from a quart jar of fruit to a truck load of flour, the total running into the thousands. Last but by no means least over three thousand gifts for the children, and for which a "thank you" letter is written by the children themselves but under supervision of a grown up. Add up all this if you will and then tell us how to write to each of these donors an original warm personal letter that can be read from the pulpit or in Sunday School that will just inspire every one to double it next time.

What do we do? Well we have one person who spends considerably over half her time on "thank you" letters alone, three others who spend a good part of their time. In addition we publish every gift of every kind in the "MESSENGER" and try in every way to convey to the giver our appreciation of their good thoughts. There is paid for salaries, board, postage and other expense for this one thing certainly $3,500.00 a year, and the people that do this are the hardest working crowd on the place. Now the question we want answered is are we doing enough in this respect. There isnt a week that goes by that we do not receive a very strong hint, often a direct accusation that the support of the place is going to pot because of our lack of appeciation of what people are doing. If this is true we will hasten to put on a larger force so that that wont happen, but people that will just add to the expense. The increased number of children demand more teachers, we have long needed Domestic Science and Manual training. Shall we put off longer getting them to make room for additional office help to PROPERLY thank our contributors.

If you are sending in your money as gifts to a beggar, and expect the same abject gratitude and grovelling thanks that be would expected from a beggar, then we are far below what we ought to be in this respect, but if this is a work that God has respect for and has dignified by His divine approval, shall we center all our energies on thanking you for accepting the priviledge of having a part in this work, when every hour of every day is so full of duties that fall to our lot in caring for this great number of young people.

Shall the worry over this church or that individual suddenly becoming chilled in their enthusiasm for this place because they did not feel that proper recognition was shown their gifts, keep us in our helplessness awake at night and unfit us for the next day's work and even come between us and our approach to God in prayer.

If this is God's work He will make no mistake, whether your right hand knows what the left does or not,

IF THIS IS NOT GOD'S WORK, LETS QUIT.

We believe in "letting the chips fall where they may" but at that we can't help express sympathy for the editor ere he has that jane by the name of Alice out of blunderland.

There are some who want to—
Scalp him.
Tar and feather him.
Hang him.
Stick him with pins.
Push him off a 100 foot building.
—yet don't want to hurt him.

Garland Caudill ever doubts the serenity of printers ink and cold-blooded type in that he failed to see his name in last month's issue of the paper.

Geane Carr (Kerr) heard from his best girl this week and has been swimmy- headed ever since.

Spugging tops, playing peg, and pole vaulting is the order of the day.

Mumble peg, marbles, and last but not least, swimming. Some of us are saving up to see who can muddy the the warter the quickest.

The above picture contains a good many of the Senior class taken when they were in the sixth grade. We won't point out the particular ones for elsewhere we are printing in the paper their pictures as they are to-day. Some have showed wonderful improve- and some think that their looks are not quite as good to-day as five years ago. If the readers are interested, they can no doubt tell from their pictures to-day the sixth graders of five years ago.

CLOTHING RECEIVED

Dunn, Woman's Auxiliary 1 box
Maxton, Womans Aux. Circle 9, 2 boxes.
Maxton, Womans Aux., Circles 5 & 8 1 box.
Warsaw, " " 1 box
Shelby, " " 1 box
Wallace, " " 1 box
Cleveland, " " 1 box
Mt. Olive " " 1 box
Maxton, " " 1 box circle No. 7
Charlotte, W's Aux. Circle No. 5, 1st Church 1 box
Whitsett' Springwood ch. W's Aux. 1 box
Wilmington, Church of the Covenant clothing for one boy
Larenburg, Laural Hill Church clothing for one girl

Miscellaneous

Roanoke Rapids, Womans Aux., Box of toys:
Wagram, Womans Aux., donation of Aprons & dresses.
Shelby, Linda Hosiery Mills, donation of Hose.
Parkton, Womans Aux. 1 quilt & canned goods.
Durham, 1st church, Bustness Girls' Circle, Subsription to "John Martins Book.
Winston-Salem, Circle No. 6, Donation of Books for Library.
Winston-Salem Circle No. 4, Donation of Books for Library.
Richmond, Va. Miss Mary W. Caldwell- Box of material & clothing.
Concord, RFD. No. 2 Woman's Aux., 2 quits, Gillwood church.
Wilmington- Immanuel church W's. Aux., One quilt.
Statesville- Mrs. J. D. Hall, Donation of books for boys.
Wadesboro Presbytery, Woman's Auxilary Donation of Books
Gulf- Mrs. W. T. Long- One book.
Laurenburg- Woman's Aux., One Large Dictionary.

EXCHANGES *and* Wheezes

"Willie!"

"Yes mamma."

"What in the world are you pinching the baby for? "Let him alone!"

"Aw, I ain't doing nothing; we are playing automobile, and he is the horn."

Chubby Kirkland "58,48,69,37." Jesse—"What foot ball signal is that?" Chubby—"That ain't no signal, I am reading my last quarter's grades."

Edward (7 years old): "Granny, here is a letter to Santa Claus."

Granny took it and opened it. This is what it read:

"Dear Santa: I am a lady 40 years old. I want for Christmas a straight chair, a rocking chair, and a pair of bedroom slippers. Your friend, Granny

JENNY GILMER COTTAGE

BY "ECOK"

News is a scarce thing over our way.

We have had a number of visitors during the last few weeks. And the funny part about it is they all seem to arrive right after dinner, when we are going to work. So, if while passing here sometime right after the mid-day meal, and you see a dozen or more boys leaving their windows for the ground, you may be sure there are visitors in the house.

There has been an epidemic of pink eyes here for some reason. We think school is getting on some of the fellows nerves.

Listen folks, we're going to have some of the niftiest atheletes here before long. We have another "good" friend added to our list. Mr. W. W. Rowland, of Statesville and a very fine athelete, comes out one or two nights a week and instructs in the art of twisting and making a hundred different kinds of monkeys out of ourselves. These nights are looked forward to by all of us.

O me I forgot, I'll just tell the girls part while I'm at it. Mrs. Rowland is also welcomed by the girls. Aw—well I don't know what they do but they have some immense times. Girls, you aren't mad I hope?

Mr. Rowland seems like a boy when he gets to knocking us around and showing us how to almost jump out of ourselves. He is some mentor in our sight. Wish he could be here all the time,

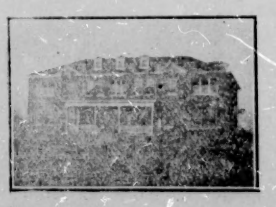
Behold a new Jack Dempsey. Oh no, he can't knock anyone out, except himself. Jack can take lots of punishment and so can Garland. Mr. Rowland had him seeing—oh well, it was a star way off somewhere, and without a telescope too. Garland Caudill is the real stuff when it comes to the ring-ers. His nose feels so soft to a glove and the nice little chin on his mug feels good to the palm of the hand even.

The early bird always gets the worm. Thats why I'm writing up the news so early. Hope it wont be a worm. This is about the last of March, so of course we get some more room later.

Cross-country running is great before breakfast, but there are some members of our household who think the bed a better place to exercise the muscles—sleeping. Squirrel Deaton is guaranteed not to lose any sleep if he can possibly get out of it. Cold water would not help much.

Robert Beattie failed us the second morning. Complained of a sore foot, but we know what was wrong. Also Theo Brock had a bad headache.

A few more recruits drop in every now and then—and drop out also.



Archie Moore has been promoted. With all his pomp and splendor he supplies these jobs generously with his time: janitor Jennie Gilmer, shoe cobbler, farmer, and painter and besides going to school he has to graduate this year. If anybody can beat this moore or less, trot him out.

What might have been heretofore, took place 'round here All Fool's Day.

By way of how Hookey Jackson jibes forth he either has a hot dog coming up or else it's in the fire sizzling.

It wouldn't be well for him to smoke chesterfield cigarrettes for he wouldn't be satisfied.

A Brief History Of Our Synodical Orphans Home

Partly Gleaned From Our Fatherless Ones

Our Synodical Orphans Home

The year 1883 saw the first movement on the part of the Presbyterians of North Carolina, looking to the establishing of an Orphange, for the Destitute children of our Church.

The foundation from whence came this inspiration was the loving pity in the hearts of a few Godly women residing in Charlotte; and their efforts were nobly seconded, by Messrs. Geo.E. Wilson, R. B. Alexander and others like them, who wisely foresaw a great door open for beneficient service.

A building was secured, and a beginning was made under the management of Mrs. P. T. Penick, a woman of a noble Christian character, the widow of Rev. P. T. Penick. Though limited in its accommodation and resources, Mrs. Penick made it from the first a Christian home, and her earnest piety was felt by every inmate.

The number of children seeking refuge in the home increased so rapidly that the ladies who had inspired the movement thought it wise to place the Home under the broad aegis of the Synod. About this time Mrs. Penick resigned the management and Mrs. McCombe became manager and continued in office with decided success until the removal of the Orphanage to Barium Springs, Iredell County, North Carolina.

The removal to Barium Springs occurred January 11th, 1891, and the home was placed under the efficient management of Rev. R. W. Boyd, who came from the pastorates of Unity and Castanea churches in Mecklenburg Presbytery to become the builder of Barium Home. The only building at Barium that was available was a two story wooden structure with a two story porch running the length of the building, and Mr. Geo. E. Wilson and a few other gentleman put the old hotel in comfortable order, thus making a good start toward housing the children that soon began to shelter beneath its roof. The children in the Home before its removal from Charlotte numbered about 25 and about half of them came on to Barium.

The old hotel stood on part of the present site of Rumple Hall, and one morning in November 1891, it was found to be on fire,and baffling every effort to save it became a mass of ashes and cinders. Brother Boyd, nothing daunted, gathered together his little flock, and sheltered them in Statesville temporarily until the Regents could decide what was best to be done.

ANNIE LOUISE

When the fire in 1891 destroyed the only shelter we had for our fatherless ones, this great calamity seemed to touch with electric power the heart of the whole church and speedily purse strings were unloosed and money began to take the shape of buildings that should be a great improvement upon the old home.

In rebuilding the board of Regents decided to adopt the Cottage plan, and the first building erected was the "Annie Louise Cottage" which was the magnificient gift of Mr. Geo. W. Watts of Durham and named in honor of his only child. Nor did the generosity of Mr. Watts end here; for in 1894 (only a little later on) he built and equipped our infirmary with the exception of one ward, that was built and furnished by Mr. H.H. Orr of Charlotte, and named in honor of his son the"Lewis Orr ward."

SYNODS

About the time of the building of "Annie Louise" another building was begun and finished and as it was paid for by the contributions from the whole Presbyterian church in the State it very properly bears the name of "Synod's Cottage."

Thus with two buildings (the Synod's Cottage for boys and the Annie Louise Cottage for girls) good Dr. Boyd gathered his little flock once more under their own vine and fig tree and Barium Springs home took on new life and growth. From the very first it became evident that more room would be required for applications came pouring in from all over the state.

So urgent were some of the petitions that fifteen little girls were lodged in the Infirmany as a temporary makeshift, so that this building for a time was diverted from its properly intended use.

RUMPLE HALL

The next building that arose (and just upon the site too, where we had lost by fire our old building) was Rumple Hall. Brick by brick it grew, and as the months pass how eagerly the children and older people too, watched those walls grow, and when completed, oh, what a beautiful sight it presented, with its graceful tower standing out against the blue sky and how many hearts went up in thankful praise for such a building that should give us dining hall, chapel, and dormities for more orphans. The Regents came to receive and dedicate the building and then came the question "what shall we name this building?" Like an inspiration it came to Rev. Dr. G. H. Hill to say "Let us call it Rumple Hall." There was no need of a better name for our then President, the Rev. Dr. Jethro Rumple, who had been with us at the birth of the Institution and had been a staunch friend of the Barium Springs Orphanage through all the dark days of its struggling life has given name to our stateliest building as it stands a memorial to his unceasing love and devotion; a delight to the eye of the passer by, and a watchtower over our now beautiful campus.

The cry from all over the Synod came for still more room at Barium Springs Orphanage; for there were applications and appeals to take in homeless ones, that wrung the heart of good Brother Boyd, for without more room he was powerless to help.

LEES

About the year 1900 Rev.Dr.J.Rumple came in touch with Mrs.S.P.Lees, a Godly woman from our South-land, to whom the Master had entrusted great wealth. She became much interested, and although dwelling in New York City and having all her monetary interests far away from us: showed that her heart was with us, by the splendid gift of "Lees Cottage" that adorns the south end of our Campus.

This was a much needed building and has been set aside as the home for the larger boys. Just as our little fellows progress in their studies, and grow in size, they are promoted, by being taken from among the kids, and transferred to "Lees Cottage." So the ambition of the small boy is to be big enough to live where the big boys are.

The Rich little think what a monument they are building, when they invest their money during their lives in "homes for the Homeless." A man may be known as a great Railroad builder, and leave behind him thousands of miles of track to show to those coming after him, what he did. But the man or woman who builds a home for the Orphan has built a monument that shall out live time, a monument that shall only receive its capstone in Eternity.

BOYD COTTAGE

Next in the order of building at Barium was the Superintendent's Cottage. Hitherto Brother Boyd had had no special home for his family at Barium, but, took "pot-luck" with the children; and he much needed a quiet home in which to rest. and shut out the worries and cares, when a day of toil was over. So the Church by general subscription undertook the building of the Superintendent's Cottage.

Brick by brick the Superintendent's home went up, and in the pinching time when the money came in slowly, our worthy brother George W. Watts, came down nobly, and for every dollar the church gave, he gave another and the home was completed.

Mr. Watts has linked his name to that of Barium Home in many ways and when he rounds up his investments, and takes stock at the close of life, we are sure he will find his richest treasure; the love and gratitude to him, from the Homeless and Fatherless Children he has sheltered. Jesus has said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

Little Joe's Church

The pathetic life of our Little Joe Gilland has been told in OUR FATHERLESS ONES in February 1904, when he was taken from us by "The Reaper Death," but the story of such a life is ever new, and is so near to the hearts of our people, it will bear telling again.

On September the 1st 1901 two children were brought to our home Janie Gilland, aged 7 years, and Little Joe, her brother, then about 6 years of age.

Little Joe was a frail boy with a warm heart, a very tender way of saying and doing things, and his whole personality was so unique, he would have attracted attention anywhere, and at Barium he was beloved of all the household, from Dr. Boyd down to the smallest Synod's Cottage boys no bigger than himself. Joe was naturally shrinking and timid, was no athlete, but he was a favorite on the campus, and enjoyed the innocent play that seems most attractive to small boys. His loving heart just loved everybody about him.

Little Joe had a very keen perception of "goodness and good things" and badness and bad things."

The story is told of him that on one occasion one of the "big sisters" was teaching him his Catechism, and told him to say in answer to a question: "The Devil tempted Eve and she gave the fruit to Adam."

Joe refused to say it, and when asked why? he answered "because it is a bad word." Joe compromised on calling the arch enemy, Satan, instead of Devil. We wish we could have talked with Little Joe about the stars, for as he would go back to Synods Cottage after supper, he loved to look up into the heavens and talk about the stars. He never could quite understand "Where the stars went in the day time?" for he could not take in the idea that the sun was brighter than all the stars, and if he could have gone down into a deep well,and looked up out of the darkness,he could find some of those very stars in the heavens that had not gone away.

One night as he gazed upward he said with tender pathos in his voice, "When us gets dead us'll go up there," and Little Joe has already soared through the star depths, into the "land of pure delight." Music was Little Joe's delight, and he had a most sensitive ear to all good harmony. Not only would he catch the bright popular airs, in our Sunday School books, but even music that bordered on the classic, appealed to him, and he was not long in learning tunes that were difficult. On one occasion the Piano in Rumple Hall was tuned just before Christmas, and the first time Joe heard it after the tuning, he listened most intently for a while, then said: "is that the same Piano?" When told that it was, he said; "Who sounded it?" He knew something had been done to it, his quick ear caught the improvement, and he was looking into "the why" of it.

Little Joe's favorite song was, "When the Roll is called up yonder," and how he delighted to sing it. We are quite sure he sings it now in heaven, having answered the roll call in his own dear little voice, that was so ready here to testify his love to Jesus.

Little Joe had one dominant idea which he often expressed in his own words, "When I get a big man, I'm going to build a church with a porch to it." Many times did he affirm this, but it was through his early death that the fondest hope his dear little heart ever cherished in life was fulfilled.

On Sunday morning February the 1st,1904, our dear Little Joe most unexpectedly to most of us, was called "to go among the stars," and find his place in the Heavenly Choir. He had not been well, but on Saturday seemed better, and sat up all day. When the other boys got up on Sunday, he begged to get up too,but it was thought best for him to lie quiet; yet he was told a place would be fixed for him. "A big brother" stood ready to carry him

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down when the place should be ready. He noticed that Joe closed his eyes and seemed to be going to sleep. He took him up and carried him down, but it was our dear little boy's last sleep. In less than th ee minutes, his little heart was still and his breathing hushed." A great sorrow settled down upon our home, for we had parted with one who filled a large place in every heart

In Little Joe's purse was found 45 cents he had saved up toward the building of a church. Dr. Boyd told so pathetically the story of his life, that money begun to flow in, in large and small streams, and in 1906 the building of "Little Joe's Church" was begun. In 1907 the church was completed and now stands a worthy monument to the memory of this remarkable child.

When in the Synod's Minutes it is put down as "Barium Springs Church it is best known throughout the Synod as "Little Joe's Church," and will doubtless be thus known for all time.

In our Cemetery, Little Joe was the first to find a resting place. Al though we have previously lost two children who were buried elsewhere.

BURROUGHS

In the year 1902, one of our most valued and beloved friends, Mr. J. C. Burroughs of Charlotte, having been left childless by the death of his lovely and accomplished daughter, Mrs. Carrie Burroughs Dula, determined to erect a memorial in memory of his only daughter. A site was selected east side of the campus and work was begun promptly. It was a beautiful thought to keep green the memory of so sweet and noble a character as Mrs. Carrie Burroughs Dula by building this memorial structure that is in daily use. In this building is the Art-room filled with choice evidences of her skill and handiwork, a portrait of Mrs. Dula and her husband, father and mother, and her beautiful pictures in oil and pastel from the gifted fingers, and the loving heart of the childless mother, who loved our children. Here is her studio furniture, even the music box that still plays the soft sweet airs that she loved. Our children and even visitors walk into this memorial studio with reverent steps and speak with soft tones as they talk of the gentle woman whose last thoughts were to help and cheer the fatherless. Here is the superintendent's office and the library, started with books and periodicals making one of the most attractive reading rooms in the state. The sainted woman and her father who made possible all of this for these otherwise homeless ones, will wear a crown of glory in the upper and better world.

ALEXANDER

Through a bequest of the late Mr. S. P. Alexander of Charlotte, the Alexander Industrial Building was made possible, and this building is a lasting memorial of the noble heart who did not forget the fatherless ones in disposing of this world's goods intrusted to him in a bountiful manner by an all-wise Providence. In this building is located all of our machinery, and is the home of Our Fatherless Ones, the laundry work shop, shoe shop, cannery and engine room.

HOWARD COTTAGE

In 1903 in response to an appeal for additional room for girls, Judge Geo. Howard of Tarboro, signified his intention of building a cottage as a memorial to his wife Mrs. Anna Stamps Howard, and Howard Cottage for so many years the home of the larger girls is the result of that promise.

McNAIR BUILDING

In 1911 the Synod authorized the raising of $50,000 for equipment, but it was not until 1913 when Rev. R. M. Williams was secured to make a canvas of the state that this money was raised. So well did Mr. Willlams do his work that much more than this amount was raised. Not only was means provided for the splendid school building named in honor of the heaviest contributor, John F. McNair but the Sprunts of Wilmington. James and Wm.H., erected the Infirmary.

INFIRMARY

This beautiful building erected 1916 on the northwest corner of the campus was erected at exactly the right time. Without it, the influenza epidemics that swept the institution, would undoubtedly. have been fatal. With the splendid facilities this building offered for caring for the sick, not a single death occurred.

LOTTIE WALKER

In 1920 Synod adopted a plan of expansion and authorized the putting of $100,000 each year for five years into new buildings. The women of the synod provided the first and largest unit in this plan of expansion and built and equipped the handsome Lottie Walker building that greets the travelers from Statesville going south, and is the largest of the cottages on the whole campus. This has a capacity for 66 girls, at present it has 74 girls.

At the same time that this building was going up, Rumple Hall was enlarged to care for the greatly increased numbers, and now in addition to housing 43 girls and nearly all of the teachers it has on the first floor, a dining room where our normal family of 350 can eat without any semblance of crowding.

At one time 1000 people are in the dining room. The enlarged and fully equipped kithen is in keeping with the dining room.

LAUNDRY

In 1922 our laundry and sewing room needs were put on a par with the dining room and kitchen by the gift of a splendidly equiped laundry and sewing room together with the building all by Mr. C. W. Johnston of Charlotte.

JENNIE GILMER

This beautiful cottage faces the school building and is the home of the high school boys. It was erected in 1923, through the generosity of Mr. C.W. Johnston of Charlotte, Mr. P. Pearsall of Wilmington and the proceeds from the legacy of Miss Virginia Gilmer of Greensboro.

BABY COTTAGE

This building erected along with the Jennie Gilmer by Mr. and Mrs. Stowe, opened an entirely new department in the Orphanage. Heretofore only children over six years old could be admitted. Occasionally one or two were taken in and cared for as well as could be.

Now the very best equipment possible is provided for 24 babies, and the first month this cottage was open, the babies rained in so fast that the first time we could count them we found 22 present, and three more to come in a few days. The indications are that this cottage will never be empty.

While these new buildings were being added. Annie Louise Cottage was completely remodeled and overhauled, then Synods and now Lees, and when it is finished Howards. Alexander was partly burnt down and converted into a home for 36 boys with the printing office on the ground floor where the laundry used to be.

Rev. R. W. Boyd was superintendent from 1891 to 1908; Rev. John Wakefield from 1908 until his death 1910. Rev. W. T. Walker from 1910 to 1920; Mr. E. Mc. S. Hyde from 1920 till 1922. Since July 1, 1922, it has been under the present management.

From the 31 children in 1891 the institution has grown until the present number 329. over ten times as many. And of the 329 here now 162 or nearly half have been here less than two years. Forty have been received this year, and this is being written Feb. 12, 1924.

To give the reader some idea of the daily life of the institution we will give in more detail, the grouping of the children.

Let us suppose it is 4 A.M. Lights begin to shine in the central heating plant, "Uncle Munroe" is commencing to warm things up, also a light under the big kitchen where steam is being gotten up to cook breakfast.

About five o'clock the kitchen girls break into their beauty sleep and start things in the kitchen.

At six the big bell rings, but nobody pays any attention to it, for at 6:10 a train comes along and everybody gets up by that.

At 6:25 the dining room girls "put on meals" and in five minutes they have brought from the kitchen nearly all that three hundred and fifty people can eat.

Then at 6:30 the big bell again rings, and since it is just daylight you can see what is taking place.

From the Lottie Walker Building, seventy four girls are headed for the dining room, forty four small ones from Annie Louise, and the balance of the forty three from upstairs in Rumple. From the south of the campus, comes the 26 big boys from Jennie Gilmer, 40 little boys from Synod, and 36 from Alexander. Then from Howard comes 24 boys that really belong in Lees but are camping in Howards, while their cottage is being worked on.

The Infirmary dozen have their own dining room, and so do the Babies, the babies, and large girls that work there, 29 in all have their own dining room and kitchen.

Breakfast lasts till 7 A. M. then while still in the dining room, morning chapel is held. Songs, reciting scripture, and reading scripture, and prayer.

At 7:30 another bell rings and every boy in the morning work groups is at his place, in his working clothes. Some on the farm, some on the truck farm, a big bunch on the dairy, some in the printing office, and shoe shop, and Master Mechanics group, besides the housekeeeping boys.

The morning girls take care of the laundry, dining room, sewing room, and the housekeeping, until noon.

The 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th grades together with the High School go to school in the morning, commencing at 7:45 and ending at 12:00.

At 1 P. M., the 4th, 6th, 7th, and special grade go to school and the morning children take up the work.

Everybody busy till 5 P. M. Then out door play as much as possible till 6 P. M.

Then supper till 6:30 after which supervised study is held in the cottages until 8 o'clock.

On Wednesday night at 8 P. M. prayer meeting is held in Little Joe's Church, on all other nights prayers are in each cottage.

On Friday night at 8 o'clock a moving picture show takes place in the school auditorium. Saturday afternoon is free time for most of the children, and there is generally about twenty five that work for money at this time.

Saturday is also a free night, and is generally filled with parties or other social affairs, the radio at Alexander usually drawing a big crowd.

Sunday a half a hour later, with Sunday School at 9 : 45 church at 11, Christian Endeavor at 3 P.M., 4 P. M., 6:30.

Generally, a few long walks also take place Sunday afternoon.

The names of the men who have had a part in the development of this wonderful place would take too long to write, but appended is a list of those who have served as regents.

The present plant consists of 16 brick, 8 frame dwellings. numerous barns etc., over 400 acres land, forty or more workers and before this year is out 360 children.

The whole plant is worth a half million and the children are worth a billion.

Men and Women who have served on Board of Regents Of Orphans Home

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Alice In Blunderland

Synopsis of First Instaliment or Nightmare

A youth by name Bill Smithers while strolling down the highway and enjoying his tobacco,was picked up by a beautiful lady in a large sedan which also contained a peculiar pair of rabbits and a crusty looking little man. In a short while the party arrived at the grounds of the Presbyterian Orphans Home which the young lady persisted in calling an old womans home, where they all stepped through the mirror in the side of the car and walked up to one of the buildings. They were first met by an old man who entertained them for awhile but fled at the approach of a very talkative old woman.

She had just finished giving an account of some of the boys and is just commencing to give her opinion of some of the smaller girls.

She has just noticed what a nice looking boy Bill is, when he doesn't let his tongue hang outside.

"I just know they are all going to like you. You see the boys are not very good looking, although I realy believe they do their best, and our girles do enjoy having a handsome boy around. I am just sure they will bring you the nicest things to eat, but just watch out for those Maggies and Maries. There is Maggie Montgomery and Maggie Marsh and Maggie Adams and Mary Lea and Mary Mason, Mamie Critz. It must be because the first letters of their name almost spell "man" that they are all so crazy about the boys."

"They just will make eyes at all of them. They are cute little things though and not really bad. Now little Annie Elms and Eunice Hall, are just the hardest little cases, they have to keep Annie away fron the picture and swimming pool too, because she is forgetting to wash her face and brush her hair and she and Eunice are always fighting." Just then a bell began to ring, or the old lady would have been talking yet, with a hurried "Oh dear, now school is out and I will have to examine hands and faces for supper."

An elderly man, evidently the School Superintendent, was marching the children accross the campus and appeared in deep thouht, seeing Alice and her party he came right over and gravely shoook hands with each one and appeared to find in them all old acquaintances. He asked the White Rabbit how he left Brer Fox and the Tar Baby, but the the White Rabbit only scratched his head, but the March Hare spoke up and said he knew two tar babies exactly alike, except one was white and 'tother was black and twice as big as 'tother. At this Bill just threw back his head and laughed and Alice blushed and every body looked uncomfortable but the March Hare. "Excuse me, but my name is Alice," began Alice. "Oh that's nothing to be ashamed of" said the old man. "Mine's Early Kerly and here (indicating one of the teachers)is Early May.' although we call her Late April, for short. And these little children are all named something. Those two over there throwing those snowballs at each other are Louise Hill and Mattie Fraley, although she isn't frail. And those two are Brite Williams and Della Brown. Their parents just knew she was going to be bright so they called her that, but they meant to call the other one Belladona but the minister lost his glasses and called it wrong. And then theres Grace Stollenwerk and Mona Clark and Gerty Marshal that didn't get kept in today which is a wonder, but a lot of the others did, their names are-----."

"Talk about names," spoke up the March Hare, with a most interested expression. "I know two John Jones one of 'em is named Pete and I just can't think of the other one's names." He commenced to look at some papers in his pocket, muttering to himself but the school tercher had gone.

Alice was feeling so badly for the little kept-in children that she slipped into the school building and beheld a pitiful sight. One little bashful girl was writing her name on the blackboard 500 times for tearing up her books. This was Fannie Foust. Then there was the two little Holton girls both being panished for not studying and for throwing chalk across the room. The teacher in charge, Miss Margaret McMillan, was most gracious, but seemed so distressed over the children making so little of their opportunities. "Now, there is Kate McGoogan that could do so well if she just would, but it's just mischief all day long." "Maud and Emma Hostettler just watch when my back is turned and I just know they make faces at me." "Now, Estelle here could be such a nice child, but, she is so quarrelsome."

"But who are those hadsome boys," began Alice, pointing to two athletic looking younsters. "Oh, they are training up for Field Day. They are our candidates for the great track meet to be held in the country. They would rather wrestle than do anything else, but they are fine racers too. The only trouble is that they are sorter vain, she lowered her voice cautiously. "The way they lost the last race was because some one fastened a big mirror on a pole about half way to the goal and both those boys stopped to see if their hair was brushed nicely and the other runners passed them. They are both good jumpers especially the Lowrance boy, and when it comes to hiding he can just beat any body. The favorite game among the children is "Where's Lowrance." The other boy Willie Nesbit, cant hide like this one but he has a wonderful ear for music. You just watch him play the Jews harp and you will know that he must have a wonderful ear because he has such a poor mouth for it."

The conversation was interruped by the little Nesbitt boys embarrassmemt, the March Hare was trying to measure ears with him and he thought he wanted to kiss him on the cheek and he hadn't been trained that way. It was getting, rather late and Alice wanted very much to see the poor little tots in the hospital, as she had heard were some very unfortunate cases there. It turned out to be a very long trip from the school to this place and on the way they noticed a little old man put his bare foot on a chopping block and hit his big toe with a hammer and then commenced to yell for help. They all rushed up to find out the trouble when the man stopped yelling and said "Hurry up and get me there before supper; don't you smell it cooking." "Where do you mean?" Began mistified Alice, when the old man commenced again, "To the hospital quick, a new boarder camein today and there is not room to sleep here so I bid first for the hospital." Bill and the two rabbits picked the old man up and they all started for the hospital again, and while on the way the old man explained' "You see the recent discovery about indigestion is that it is caused by having meals that don't agree with your disposition. Of course every body wants a square meal every time, and three squares don't fit as well as four so they aid indigestion at our place by giving a patient four meals instead of three. Another thing it has been found that every person can eat a hot dog for every letter in their name every day, with an extra onion for every P and W. There is a wagon comes down every day to feed the Little Edwards and Stollenwerk boys."

By this time the party had arrived at the Hospital and there they found the shut inns consisting of two little girls under the care of a head nurse. When asked their names the little invalids replied that they were Frankie Smith and Mamie Purdie and all that seemed the matter was that they just didn't seem to grow like they should and they both seemed troubled by too much fresh air.

In addition to the two little sick girls there was also two very sad looking young ladies sitting on the front porch of the Hospital also Alice thinking they were also invalids asking what made them feel so badly and what was their names. "Oh we're not feeling badly" spoke up one of these little girls "We're just saving up for the next song, you see we are over here to cheer up the patients, sometimes we sing and sometimes we dance but we have to be cheerful and its such a strain. So when we are not doing something we just rest up our cheerfulness to save it for the next time." "We dont know why they selected us for this we didnt know we could sing so well, but they just picked us out and here we are." This little girl commenced to blush, evidently thinking she had said too much when the other spoke up " our names this week are Annie and Elsie, but sometimes when we have patients from the other end of the alphabet they call us Nig and Nancie." The March Hare commenced to show signs of interest again when every bodies attention was caught by a party of very old ladies walking by. They were so old that they had shrunk up to the size of little children again, they were on crutches, and nearly all were toothless. The most toothless one right out in front when asked said her name was Van because she remembered being told when she was young that the Van Guard went in front.

Then there was one that just ran up one side and down he other she said her name was Brook and "Wasn't Brooks supposed to run."

"But don't you get tired? asked Alice. "Why no' said the old woman; we all run Miles eveay day for exercise, and we haven't but ons shoe in the whole crowd either," "But look at that funny rabbit". It was well that Alice did look for the whfte rabbit had fainted. the March Hare was staggerring around looking crosseyed and a bee had stung Bill on the tongue.

The March Hare was muttering "Did you hear what she said. Just one shoe and I counted eighty-eight" "If they run Miles I run ragged."

Fearing trouble if they became violent Alice gathered up her crowd and fled to the car, they fairly fell through the looking glass, and the impatient Mad Hatter, madder than ever, started up the car and they were soon speeding away from the wonderful place that Alice had called an old ladies home. Bill no longer wondered at this for while he saw a number of children, that crowd of old women, out taking their daily exercise, remained the most vivid recollection of the whole business.

ALEXANDER *and* DAIRY

Since writing last we lost one of our finest cows also the calf which we bought from the Thomasville Orphanage dairy. I guess the little Baptist didn't like staying here with all these Presbyterians, and took phneumonia and diedr

We Alexander boys are in good health. Only one at the Infirmany (William Perry) he has a cold.

The game peg is a thing of the past. Spinning tops is all the go now.

Mrs. Capps and daughter, Margaret, spent the week end with us.

It is hard to say who enjoyed Miss Margarets visit most Jerome Nowland or Eugene Kerr. We only hope they don't fall out about this and give any trouble.

Mrs. Privett spent last sunday at Stony Point visiting her brother.

News is something we don't have, we are having now.

BY "WHOO-DIGGER" HUFF.

ANNIE LOUISE COTTAGE

BY MILDRED MILES

"Does the Dream Angels tickle your big toe to make you dream"? Ask the baby of the house, Angelia Fowler. 'No, they whisper in your ears,' said one of our brightest dumbells, Clara Vann.

The other morning Thelma Codwin come to wake Ivey Ford up, she turned over and said, "good night it isn't time to get up; we always slees late on Sunday mornings."

It was Tuesday she said this so if anybody has any wood to spare pleast come and finish Ivy's upper story.

We thought we would have to mend Tuesday and were dreading it very much when Mrs. Fraily came and asked if we wanted to go to walk. It was such a pretty day we went and of course had a good time.

We have only one girl in our cottage now with sore eyes and that is Texie Johnson.

The other day one of the little girls said, "I hope it won't be long before we can take off our shoes then we won't have to go to rest hour. We can stay on the grass plot and play all day."

There were three girls to have a birthday in March. They first thought was how much chicken they were going to eat.

The little A. L. C. girls are very sorry to lose their beloved pastor, Dr Parker. He always came over on Wednesday evenings and told us such lovely stories. One of our smallest girls asked "Oh, who will tell us stories if dear Dr. Parker goes away.

We always look forward from one week to another to the movies but we were disapp ointed last week because the same films we had before. I hope this week's picture will be real good so as to make up for last week.

Wanted—

At Annie Louise Cottage anything in the way of bulbs, cuttings, seedings for porch boxes or yard, Please, any of our lady friends who have any to spare, remember us. Thank you.

If---

One boy was in the bath-room taking a spunge rub, and naturally a busy body, a-humming and a-scrubbing—thinking of some of the good old days gone by, and certain of his confidence in what tomorrow brings, as tho' the sun was already shining on him alone. While without the shower, a timid youth of the same cottage, was hurriedly tidying himself, through fear of being late to lunch.

"Has the second bell rung, yet?"—asked by the busy-body person.

"Yea" a weak voice mumbled.

Biff, bang—the water off, and with the exclammation "where's my towel?" that could be heard to the third floor, rang out.

It was to late too conclude the bath with tactfulness. So into his clothes he jumped, and without tieing his shoes, collar and tie in his hand, he rushed to Rumple Hall, answering the summons of the second bell which announced glad tidings for a weak spot this lad had contracted.

"If--- that bell hadn't rang for two minutes, I could have finished my toilette," he muttered in a maddening tone.

If—that bell didn't ring the second toll, a war would be raging. And perhaps, if it's ringing was postponed a few minutes, mountains could be removed.

Jack MacKay takes special pleasure in telling a joke with candor. When through he usually laughs at his own joke and closes up like a clam.

SCHOOL NEWS

BY GENEVA PERRY

We a mos. hate to see it snow now because when it is bad weather we don't get recess, and you know recess is the spice of skool.

We understand that no one is allowed in the auditorium. Well, a few days ago we heard a queer familiar noise up there which reminded us of someone who has just returned from their vacation. Upon investigating into the matter we found Mr. Nesbitt, our principal, way back in the corner of the auditorium playing upon a harp. When asked what he was playing he answered, "Mr. Galliger and Mr. Shean." "Well, Mr. Nesbitt, that sounded exactly like 'Home Sweet Home'," said Elcke Taylor.

Most of the "Right Honorable Seniors," when it had been decided that they would each have some one to escort them up to the stage on "The Great Occasion," chose some member of the Junior class to attend them.' (Maids and valets) how condescending and thoughtful!

Heights Of Ambition, Class Of '24.

Louise Kelly—Poor man's wife Martha Boyce—Seamstress, Judith Bowman—First lady of the land, Theodore Block—The poor man, Guy Jackson—Cave man, Archie Moore—Architect, Gertrude McPhail Suffragette, Madeleine Hunt—Dutches, Gertrude Caudill—Waitress, Anne Fayssoux Johnston—Vaudeville actress Irene McDade—Shiekess, Genevieve Perry—Discoverer of South Pole, Leah Hill—Old maid, Ruby Kerr—Jenny Lind number two.

SYNOD COTTAGE

Hail, hail the kids are all here! Forty strong are we. Our number was rounded out this month by the arrival of a five year old from the Baby Cottage, Marley Sigmon by name. We welcome Marley and hope he will like his new brothers.

The March wind doth blow and the kites doth fly at Synod's. We are wondering why the textile mills are running half the time, the demand for string is so great here, the market should be strong, we think.

Our representatives at the birthday dinner this month report a delightful menu. Grape fruit, ice cream and other good things, looked mighty good to "we soupers," who were not fortunate enough to be blown here in March.

Synod lost one of her finest boys recently. Albert Cumbie was promoted to the dairy force. Synod's loss is Alexander's gain.

Mrs. Cumbie and daughter from Winston-Salem visited here Sunday.

Mrs. Ayers of Charlotte was down to see her children.

Mrs. Reavis and daughter and other members of her family spent Sunday afternoon with Harold and Bobbie.

Mrs. Sigmon and sister were here to see her three boys.

It seems that the broom was not intended for Synod's, it went clear across the highway from us this month to the Woman's Building, nevertheless we are spotless over here, but for the mud,and dirt that forty boys can make and the tents and rabbit houses and otherthings that please boys on the back of our grounds.

But as some one wisely said "any institution should be forgiven a little lapse in artistic arrangement if better provision is made for the life of boys and girls." We are not going to give up in despair though, we hope our time will come some time in the future, as we had our name mentioned among the likely cottages last mouth.

Clothing Money Received

Young Mens' Bible Class, Marshville	$22.50
Womans Aux., Burlington	5.00
Womans Aux., Wilson	6.00
Mrs. B.H. Hart, Tarboro	27.50
Womans Aux., Calypso	6.00
Robert Blackwood	10.00
Womans Aux., Mt. Airy	10.00
Kings Mountain Womans Aux.,	5.00
Philathia Class, Wilson	20.00
Kings Mountain Aux.,	5.00
Womans Aux., Reynolda	40.00
Womans Aux., Burlington	5.00
North Winston church	3.00
S.S. Class Tenth Avenue	5.00
Womans Aux., Westminster Greensboro	6.00
Ladies Bible Class, First church Fayetteville	6.00
Womans Aux., Belmont	10.00
Womans Aux., Garland	1.00
Womans Aux., Waxhaw	6.00
Womans Aux., Newton	6.00
Davis Bible Class, Westminster Greensboro	6.75
Young Peoples Society, Church of the Covenant, Manchester	45.00
Philatha Class, Mount Olive church	6.00
Womans Aux., Chadbourne	9.50
Bertha H. Felton	6.00
Church of Covenant, Wilmington	7.00
Womans Aux., Rose Hill	22.50
Highland church, Fayetteville	6.00
Womans Aux., Smithfield	22.50
Womans Aux., Rockingham	6.00
Womans Aux., Belmont	5.00
Womans Aux., Red Springs	22.50
Mrs. J.M. Springs	10.00
Mrs. K. Hoyos, Wilson	3.00
Kings Mountain Womans Aux.,	5.00
Ruth M. Coble, Greensboro	25.00
Womans Aux., Lenoir	77.75
Womans Aux., Benson	13.50
Mens Bible Class, Rutherfordton	22.50
Womans Aux., Lumberton	10.00
Miss Corime Puett, Dallas	22.50
Womans Aux., Maxton	5.25
Womans Aux., Warsaw	6.00
Womans Aux., St. Andrews Wilmington	25.00
Womans Aux., New Bern	40.00
Womans Aux., Church of Covenant Wilmington	6.00
Womans Aux., Dunn	6.00
Mrs. H. F. Elliott Catawba	10.00
Womans Aux. Centre Church Maxton	6.00
Womans Aux., Concord	90.00
Womans Aux., Kings Mt.	5.00
Corinne Puett	22.50
Womana Aux., Leaksville	6.00

SUPPORT FUND

A Friend, Fayetville First Church	$6.00
A Friend, Lenoir	20.00
F. P. Tate, Morganton	6.00
M. D. Moore, Mt. Airy	5.00
Mocksville S. S.	6.41
Brotherhood Bible Class, First Salisbury Church	15.00
Dr. Wilbert Jackson, Clinton	8.33
First Church, Greenesboro	253.81
Mrs. A. P. Thorpe, Rocky Mount	10.00
Womans Auxiliary, Westminster Greensboro	12.00
Mt. Olive S.S.	9.58
First Church Durham S S	26.98
Vass S. S.	10.00
Rock Branch S. S.	8.03
Morven Sr S.	5.13
Mary I. Crawford, Buies Creek	5.00
Galatia Church	25.00
Womans Auxiliary, Cleveland	5.00
Lottie Graves Mem., S. S.	2.00
Front St. S. S.	9.15
New Hope S. S. Kings Mtn. Pres.	8.48
Nut Bush Church	5.75
Calypso S.S. Bible Class	4.00
Lexington S. S.	23.78
Jonesboro S. S.	9.08
Wilmington First Church	100.00
Bethel Church Orange Presbytery	8.18
Bethesda church Orange Pres.	2.17
Burlington Church	50.00
Womans Aux. Godwin	6.00
Ebenezer Church	.30
Elkin irst Church	1.50
Graham Church	40.40
Graham S. S.	4.20
Hillsboro Church	4.00
North Wilkesboro Church	119.50
North Wilkesboro S. S.	32.02
Peidmont church	3.75
Reynolda Womans Aux.	4.00
Shiloh church	2.25
Westminister Orange	5.00
Cooleemee S S	16.80
Fifth Creek S S	13.40
Lumber Bridge S S	21.09
Lumber Bridge S. S.	5.88
Sevier Church	6.00
Shelby S. S.	17.43
Laurel Hill Church	29.10
Buffalo S. S., Orange	10.00
St. Anbrews Church, Willmington	50.00
Womans Aux., Farmville	20.00
Big Rockfish S. S.	14.00
Saxaphaw	12.00
Mrs. G. L. Stine	6.00
Barbecue S. S.	1.61
Elise S. S.	1.50
E. M. Craig, Cramerton	3.27
Manchester S. S.	12.13
Willmington First	65.00
Ladies Aux. Galatia Church	5.00
Second Church, Concord	9.36
Jackson Springs S. S.	17.97
Wm. A. White, Charlotta	15.00
Kenly S. S.	15.60
East Arcadia S. S.	3.50
Second Church Charlotte	25.00
First Church Durham	500.00
Pollocksville Church	5.17
Lincolnton First	50.00
Croatan church	5.00
Thomasboro church	15.00
St. Pauls Church Fayetteville Pres.	40.00
St. Pauls Church Fayetteville Pres.	48.15
Fayetteville First	124.00
Blacknall Men. S. S.	15.00
S S First Church, Saisbury	25.00
Womans Aux. Greenville	14.00
Bowden Church	22.00
Concord First S S	67.88
Chadbourne Church	55.45
Kings Mountain S S	8.55
Clarkton S S	9.00
Moment Class, First church Raleigh	6.75
Highland S S	1.88
Pollocksville S S	5.00
Jonesboro church	7.50
Leaflet church	8.00
Mrs. R.B. Taggart, Black Mountain	5.00
In memory of J.L. Scott, Jr.	5.00
Sherrill Ford church	1.40
Ladies Missionary Society, Montpelier church	22.50
West End S S	4.97
Thyatira S S	9.60
Candor S S	6.00
Rock Branch S S	44.47
Nahalah Church	25.00
Rocky Mount First church S.S.	50.00
Womans Aux., Westminster, Mecklenburg	11.25
Concord Iredell S.S.	14.10
Second Church Charlotte	25.00
Pegram Street church	20.00
Miss Bess Jackson's Class First church Gastonia	51.39
Fasion S.S.	5.00
Hopewell S.S.	4.80
Womans Aux., Second church Charlotte	100.00
Mrs. Bertha Craig, Winston	3.00
Broadway church	15.00
Womans Aux., First church Wilmington	124.00
Little Joes S.S.	9.78
Mocksville S.S.	5.85
Quaker Meadow S.S.	20.00
Buffalo S.S.	13.25
Front Street S.S.	12.77
Morven S.S.	4.00
New Hope S.S. Kings Mountain Pres.	10.00
Phillipi church	5.00
First church Gastonia	200.00
Womans Aux., Morven church	4.00
Philadelphus S.S.	3.20
St. Andrews church, Wilmington	55.00
Bethany church, Concord Pres.	5.00
Shiloh S.S. Kings Mountain Pres.	19.25
First church Henderson	33.50
Bethesda church, Concord Pres.	18.00
Gastonia First S.S.	16.34
Gastonia First S.S.	21.65
Leaflet church	6.01
Ladies Aux., Pinetops	14.00
Goshen church, Kings Mt.	18.00
Kings Mountain church	23.00
Wallace S. S.	10.94
Womans Aux., Belmont	15.00
Bible Class Calypso S S	4.00
Wadesboro S S	5.00
Maxton S S	78.84
Cooleemee S S	15.00
Lexington S S	21.44
Westminster S S Orange Pres.	51.20
Womans Aux. Lexington	24.00
Bethlehem church, Orange Pres.	5.50
Buffalo Womans aux. Orange Pres.	15.00
Buffalo church Orange Pres.	15.00
Lexington church	68.50
North Wilkesboro	36.01
Springwood church	5.90
Womans aux. Winston	30.00
Yancyville	1.00
Brotherhood Bible class, First church Salisbury	15.00
Mrs. A. P. Thorpe, Rocky Mount First	10.00
Westminster Womans Aux., Orange Pres.	12.00
Rosindale School	15.00
Cameron S S	34.50
Jonesboro S S	10.00
Womans Aux. Caldwell Mem.	78.88
Central Steele Creek S S	50.17
Miles Hampton Rutherfordton	3.00
Howards Mem. S S	12.50
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin White, Mebane	50.00
Rev. A. N. Ferguson Bible Class, Maxton	20.00
Highland Pres. church	23.05
Rutherfordton S S	8.42
Albemarle Presbyterial	73.53
Pineville S S	4.42
Pres. S S Shelby	13.73
Elizabethtown S S	10.00
Oxford church	25.00
Front Street, Statesville	20.00
Mooresville First S S	29.36
H. G. Johnston, Belmont	10.00
Elemwood church	16.00
Montpelier S S	29.92
Vass S S	5.85
Wharey Memorial Aux., Mooresville First church	40.12
Wilson S S	42.66
Covenaut S S, Kings Mtn. Presbytery	15.00
Womans Aux., Cooleemee	3.00
Church By the Side of the Road S S	20.86
Salisbury Second S. S.	20.00
A Friend, Lenoir	20.00
D. M. Moore, Mt. Airy	5.00
Dr. Wilbert Jackson, Clinton	8.33
F. P. Tate, Morganton	6.00
A Friend Fayetteville	6.00
Sugar Creek S.S.	55.00
Cramerton S S.	3.30
Barbecue S. S.	.75
Elise S. S,	1.46
Union S. S. Fayetteville Pres.	33.89
Bethel S S " "	27.30
Circle No. 5 Wharey Mem. Mooresville First church	1.00
P. P. Venson, Rochester Minn.	25.00
Womans Aux. West Avue. Kings Mt. Presbytery	15.00
Midway S. S.	7.00
Womans Aux. Greenville	5.00
Womans Aux. South Riiver Church	4.50
Woman Aux. Westminister, Mecklenburg	10.05
Womans Aux. Covenant church Kings Mt. Presbytery	4.75
Womans Aux. Pearsall Mem Church	9.00
Womans Aux. Hopewell church Mecklenburgh	7.00
Mulbury Church	18.00
Covenant church, Kings Mountain Presbytery	10.25
Weldon Pres. Church	4.00
Mems Bible Class Cramerton S. S.	50.00
Quaker Meadows	7.00
Highland C. E. Society	1.13
Charlotte Second Church S.S.	80.00
Woman's Aux. Pollocksville	5.00
Bladenboro S. S.	5.00
Presby Missionary, Mt. Gilead church	25.00
Ephesus church	10.00
Ephesus S. S.	5.23
Woman's Aux. Reynolda church	21.00
Candor S. S.	6.00
Lumber Bridge S.S.	7.29
Circle No. 5 N. Wilkesboro	12.00
Moments Class First church Raleigh	6.75
Womans Aux. Howards Mem.	30.00
Edenton Mis. Society	3.00
Womans Aux. Graves Mem.	42.18
Old Fort church	12.00
Womans Aux. First church, Gastonia	14.90
Concord First S.S.	75.90
Edgemont church	15.00
Miles Hampton Rueherfordfon	1.60
Trinity Ave. S.S.	7.00
Barbecue church	5.00
Salisbury First S.S.	50.00
Grassy Creek S S Stovall	12.50
Grassy Creek church Stovall	3.50
The John Fairley Murray Mem. Soc., Montpelier	10.00
Woman's Aux., Hamlet	8.00
Womans Aux. Clarkton	35.00
Albemarle S.S.	115.31
Hebron church Albemarle	4.00
Womans Aux. Whiteville	5.25
Hope Mills S.S.	8.17
Spies church	3.00
Womans Aux. Black River church	7.00
Womans Aux. Ephesus ceurch	4.00
Thyatira S.S.	7.50
Ladies Mission Society Montpelier	34.50
Circle No. 7 Womans Aux. Greensboro 1st	10.00
Circle No. 11 Womans Aux. Greensboro 1st	25.00
Duke church	34.00
Broadway Aux.	3.00
Wilmington First church	85.00
Womans Aux. Long Creek	3.00
Raeford church	75.00
Shiloh church, Concord Pres.	4.50
Raeford S S.	46.20
Mrs. Cobb & Mis. Hodress Womans Aux. Howards Mem	19.00
Womans Aux. Charlotte Second	151.50
Bayless Mem, church	1.00
Womans Aux. Mt. Zion	6.00
Pinehurst church	7.50
Gulf S.S.	5.00
Womans Anx. Gulf	8.00
Rex church	2.60
Womans Aux. Monroe	15.00
Milton church	15.22
Antioch Womans Aux. Fayetteville Pres.	36.00
Clarkton S.S.	17.00
Monroe church	100.00
Thomasboro S.S.	15.00
Womans Aux. Bethesda Fayetteville Pres.	18.24
Womans Aux. Wilson	22.00
Iona church	30.00
Falkland church	34.00
Mitchner Mem.	2.25
Vass S S.	12.02
Calypso church	25.00
Junior Aux. Calypso	1.00
Womans Aux. Bolton	2.00
Bethany church, Concord Pres.	3.00
Westminster, Wilmington Pres.	5.00
Womans Aux. Westminster, Wilmington Pres.	4.00
Junior Wiley Miss. Band Winston First church	30.00
Aberdeen church	20.00
New Hope S. S. Kings Mtn. Pres.	10.81
Third creek church	6.00
Cleveland Church	11.75
Dallas S. S.	12.83
Progressive Church	1.00
Monroe S. S.	22.99
Womans Aux. Mocksville	1.10
Jacksonville Church	4.65
Front Street S. S.	8.16
Pearsall Ch.	31.00
Durham First S. S.	105.01
Winter Park S. S.	22.00
Dallas Church	11.10
Huntersville S. S.	5.43
Wadesboro S. S.	5.00
Ironton Church	4.00
Caldwell Mem. S. S.	14.62
Prospect Church	10.12
Prospect S. S.	15.00
Prospect C. E. Society	3.00
Womans Aux. Durham First	115.54
Womans Aux. Durham First for Tubercular Children	6.00
Intermediate C. E. Society Fayetteville First	15.00
Womans Aux., Lumber Bridge	5.50
Shiloh S. S. Kings Mtn. Presby.	8.00
Rock Branch S. S.	107.68
New Bern S. S.	24.00
Womans Aux. Iona Church	7.50
Harmony S. S.	1.00
Jr. C. E. 10 Ave. Charlotte	9.00
Manley S. S.	7.50
Womans Aux. Hope Mills	1.00
Wilmington First	400.00
Womans Aux. Wadesboro	12.00
Washington S S	88.00
Poplar Tent church	12.00
West End S S	6.42
First church, Hickory	86.55
First church Hickory S S	24.13
Centre church, Concord Pres.	23.10
Clio church	10.00
Washington First church	25.00
Westminister S S Mecklenburg	100.00
Maxton S S	38.96
Union church	61.64
Sanford church	53.00
Olney church	21.50
" Society	17.00
Concord Second Society	10.00
Faison S S	4.30
St. Andrews church, Wilmington Pres.	165.00
Childrens' Society, Big Rock Fish	2.00
Flat Branch C.E.	1.50
Mrs. Seavy Highsmith Fayetteville	100.00

BABY COTTAGE

Our family is increasing every day We are very glad to add a new member to our family, Alice Pittman. But we are real sorry to give Marley to Synods. We are hoping he will make us a visit often.

One night several of the girls were eating onions and Ester wanted some. They gave her some. She went to the play room. Mrs. Hill came out of the dinning room and Ester said, "Miss Hill why don't you eat unions they will heal your cold."

Our Baby (Roy) looked out of the window and said, "Oh its raining water."

Miss Critz said to Jessie "When is your birthday?"

"I had two this year I don't know when my next will come next month I guess" said Jessie.

Johnie was dressing and said, "O Francis I put my shoe on wrong side out."

Our new barber, Virginia King has quite a job on her hands, for we keep her busy all the time.

We thank Miss Lea and Mr. Lowrance for the nice kitchen things.

Thanksgiving Returns

First Church New Bern	145.06
Second Church Charlotte	133.00
Legacy—Will of Mrs. A. W. Timberlake, Raleigh	100.00

Building & Equipment Fund

S.P. Stove, Belmont	5,000.00
Bethesda S.S. Ruffin	3.00
Synodical	569.24
Womans Aux. Lumber Bridge	8.50
Bethesda S.S. Ruffin	6.25
Mrs. W. E. White, Graham	50.00

Receipts for Individual Support Not Credited to any Organization

R. W. Cable	$75.00
Kathryn Hoyos	10.00
Mrs. Irma P. Wallace	40.00
Page Trust Co. John Capps	15.00
Page trust Co. McLean Capps	15.00
D. M. McKay	45.00
Mrs. Irma Wallace	40.00
R. W. Cable	75.00
J. W. Love	10.00